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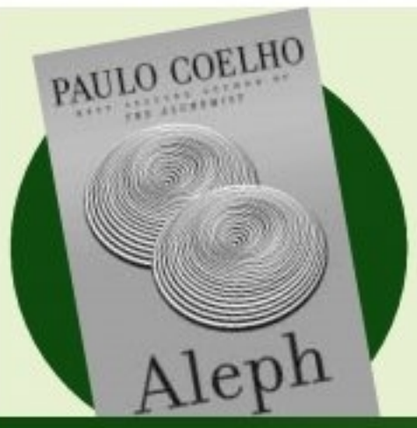

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An art community grows in NoLibs

Brooklyn-based developer, native of Philly, says North Liberties is perfect for new artist complex ◐ Expands on similar community operating in NYC

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▶ The scene at Fourth and Thompson streets will be radically transformed next year.

Brooklyn, N.Y.-based creative co-working shop 3rd Ward has broken ground on a second location in Northern Liberties.

The company — along with New York City developer David Belt and local businessman Paul Maiello — is renovating two warehouses and a church at 1227 N. Fourth St. for a total of 27,000 square feet of workspace, which includes a culinary classroom, circuitry lab and textile studio.

Belt, who is originally from Philadelphia, came across the property and its surrounding community when he was building an art installation across the street about a year ago.

"The more I got involved with that area, the more I thought 3rd Ward would be a good fit there," he said. "And the buildings are perfect, because we can leave a lot of original details still inside."

Like its flagship location, the Philadelphia shop will offer different membership levels for creative workers to use its facilities and encourage collaboration by housing a variety of trades under one roof — or, in this case, three roofs.

"Having people who cross all types of disciplines and skill levels, that's a huge benefit of coming to a place like 3rd Ward," 3rd Ward Marketing Director Jessica Tom said.

3rd Ward Philadelphia is slated to open next summer. The company will send out a request for proposals next week for a restaurateur to man its indoor-outdoor cafe.

The complex will also house gallery and event space, a retail store and a rooftop garden that will provide both storm-water drainage and a place to hang out.

▶ 3rd Ward also expects a cafe to co-occupy the space.

Collaboration breeds creative success

Creative co-working spaces, such as the Crane Arts complex near 3rd Ward's new location, have grown in popularity over the past few years.

"It's part of the larger trend of collaborative consumption," Tom said, citing Zipcar and Netflix as other examples. "Why buy equipment that you don't use that often when you can be part of a larger community and share ideas and networks? ... If you can just tap into shared resources, then you can save a lot of money, have a lot of fun and reduce your imprint."

Quoted

"It's funny. People have been saying, 'Oh, you want to do this in Philadelphia because it reminds you of Brooklyn.' It's exactly the opposite – I'm from Philadelphia, so Brooklyn reminds me of here."
BELT

"We visited the site and saw there was a great culture. The population around there seemed to make a lot of sense with our offerings."
TOM

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In the news

Black bear attacks couple

A couple is recovering after being attacked by a black bear in their central Pa. home near Harrisburg early yesterday morning. The couple let their dog out between 4 a.m. and 4:30 a.m. When it returned, a black bear was in "hot pursuit," one official said.

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Boost for Franklin expansion

PHILADELPHIA. The Franklin Institute received a $10 million grant to build a new addition yesterday.

The gift is from Nicholas and Athena Karabots of the Karabots Foundation, which supports programs benefiting young people in violence-prone neighborhoods.

The 53,000-square-foot addition, to be named the Nicholas and Athena Karabots Pavilion, will allow the institute to expand its educational programs with 10,000 square feet of additional classroom space. It also features 8,000 square feet of gallery space adjacent to the existing traveling exhibit gallery.

The Institute will break ground on the pavilion in the spring of 2012 in the hopes of opening in the summer 2014. ● METRO/AW

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Final tally for museum's Inspire Science! fundraising campaign, including the $10 million gift. The campaign's initial goal was $65 million.

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Flag down a taxi on the Delaware

City's riverfront development agency seeks operator for its three-boat fleet of river taxis

With the final master plan for the Central Delaware Waterfront introduced, the development agency in charge of the corridor said it expects to solicit proposals this winter for the operation of water taxis and hopefully have limited service up and running next summer.

The taxis are among several improvements planned for along Delaware River, including public parks and connecting streets to the neighboring communities by making them more pedestrian-friendly. The water taxis are one of the most immediate projects, officials said.

"Adding a coastline water shuttle system would complement [Delaware River Port Authority's ferry] and would move people along the coastline to certain important points," said Joe Forkin, vice president of operations and development for Delaware River Waterfront Corp. "This is another way to get onto the water and enjoy the water."

Forkin said DRWC has purchased three vehicles, which can each carry up to 26 passengers. Initial stops would likely include Penn's Landing Marina near the Hyatt Hotel, the Great Plaza, Festival Pier and possibly SugarHouse Casino, which opened last year. The system could eventually feature as many as 11 stops, according to the plan.

The Philadelphia system would be more of a transit option for commuters traveling to Camden or other points near the river than a tourist draw, Forkin said.

Chicago Water Taxi had a record number of passengers in 2010 and expects to surpass that this year.

"It's all about the more stops the better. You want to make it more accessible to the public," said Andrew Sargis, operations manager for Chicago Water Taxi, a subsidiary of Wendella Boats.

DRWC's plan still needs final approval from the U.S. Coast Guard and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.

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▶ The city riverfront agency's small fleet of water taxis have never been used since purchase.

More attractions needed

While the waterfront is still underdeveloped, Forkin said he thinks there will enough demand for the taxis, especially if they can reach an agreement with the Delaware River Port Authority to connect passengers to the ferry for one fare.

"I think ultimately there will be as the plan builds out and that's why we're proposing limited service next season to test the waters," he said.

Full service could be in place by 2013, he said.

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News in brief

Child abuse limit proposal

PENNSYLVANIA. A newly formed coalition called Justice4PAKids spent late last week stirring up awareness for its cause and challenging state legislators in Harrisburg to expand the ability of child abuse victims to file criminal charges and sue for civil damages, according to reports.

In Pennsylvania, these victims have little if any time to file suit against their alleged abusers, the group said last week. Justice4PAKids consists of suburban Catholic advocates who delivered the testimonials of previous sexual abuse victims to the offices of every Pennsylvania state representative, the Inquirer reported yesterday. METRO/KB

Lehigh students on porn site

LEHIGH COUNTY. Nude photos of several Emmaus High School students have surfaced on an unnamed pornographic website, according to reports.

Students shared the nude photos with each other and "they got into the wrong hands," Emmaus police Sgt. Charles Palmer told the the Morning Call of Allentown. METRO/KB

Driller fees proposed

Gov. Corbett changes course, slightly, in proposing local levies

Towns where drilling occurs would be allowed to charge certain fees

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▶ Shale drilling may come with small local levies soon.

Gov. Tom Corbett announced yesterday that he would support new regulations for the state's booming natural gas industry, including impact fees for local municipalities.

Corbett has been heavily criticized for resisting a tax on the industry, making Pennsylvania the largest gas-producing state without a tax on drillers. The impact fees recommended by the Marcellus Shale Advisory Commission could generate up to $120 million in the first year and $200 million by the sixth year, Corbett said. Municipalities where drilling is taking place would keep 75 percent, while 25 percent would be split between PennDOT, the Public Utility Commission and other state agencies.

Opponents called the measures unfair and "full of giveaways to drillers."

"It appears that the governor's thinking in devising his plan was, 'What's the least I can ask of the drilling industry?'" said Jan Jarrett, PennFuture's president and CEO. "The proposed impact fee is too small, full of loopholes, unwieldy to administer and leaves too much money on the table."

$200M

According to Corbett, the recommended fees could generate up to $120 million in the first year and $200 million by the sixth year.

Philadelphia City Council passed a resolution earlier this year, sponsored by Councilman Curtis Jones Jr., opposing the development until further impact studies could be completed. Despite the fact the nearest drilling is more than 100 miles away from the city, Jones said Philadelphia should receive some of the fees.

"That doesn't take into account that all of that stuff has to go through Pennsylvania roads, including Philadelphia. Why are we segregated out of the state?" he asked yesterday.

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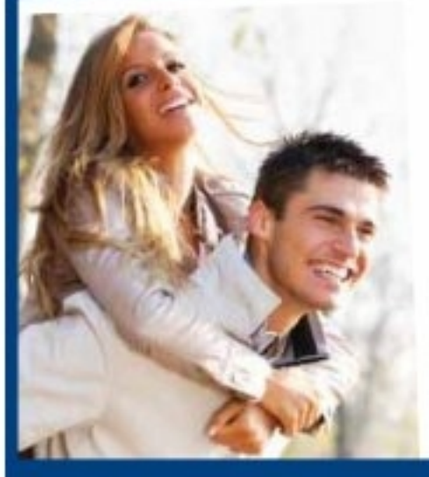

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▶ Amanda Knox reacts at the announcement of her acquittal of murder and sexual assault. The court upheld a conviction for slander for falsely accusing barman Patrick Lumumba. It sentenced her to three years in prison, which has already been served.

American 'she-devil' cleared of '07 murder

Italian court overturns conviction of Amanda Knox, held for three years in high-profile trials over the murder of British student Meredith Kercher

An Italian court cleared 24-year-old American Amanda Knox and her former boyfriend of murdering British student Meredith Kercher in 2007 and ordered them to be set free yesterday after nearly four years in prison for a crime they always denied committing.

Seattle native Knox and Italian computer student Raffaele Sollecito had appealed against a 2009 verdict that found them guilty of murdering 21-year-old Kercher during what prosecutors said was a drug-fueled sexual assault four years ago.

Salacious details

The appeal trial gripped attention on both sides of the Atlantic, with an outpouring of sympathy and outrage from many in the United States who saw the American as an innocent girl trapped abroad in the clutches of a medieval justice system.

- A powerful lobbying campaign by her family played a big part in changing perceptions of Knox from the promiscuous "Foxy Knoxy" of early media reports and the cold-blooded, sex-obsessed "she-devil" portrayed by prosecutors.
- **Prosecutors said the victim resisted attempts by Knox to involve her in an orgy.**

Looking pale and tense as the sentence was read out in a packed Perugia court room, Knox was led away in tears and close to collapse by police officers.

The court quashed the conviction against Knox, who was sentenced to 26 years in jail, and against Sollecito, who was sentenced to 25 years, after independent forensic investigators sharply criticized police scientific evidence, saying it was unreliable.

Kercher's half-naked body, with more than 40 wounds and a deep gash in the throat, was found in 2007 in the apartment she shared with Knox in the Umbrian town of Perugia where both were studying.

A third man, Ivorian drug dealer Rudy Guede, was imprisoned for 16 years for his role in the murder.

The defense argued that no clear motive or evidence linking the defendants to the crime had emerged. **REUTERS**

Recession fears drop

WASHINGTON. Manufacturing grew more quickly in September as production and hiring increased, suggesting that factories would help keep the economy from slipping into a new recession.

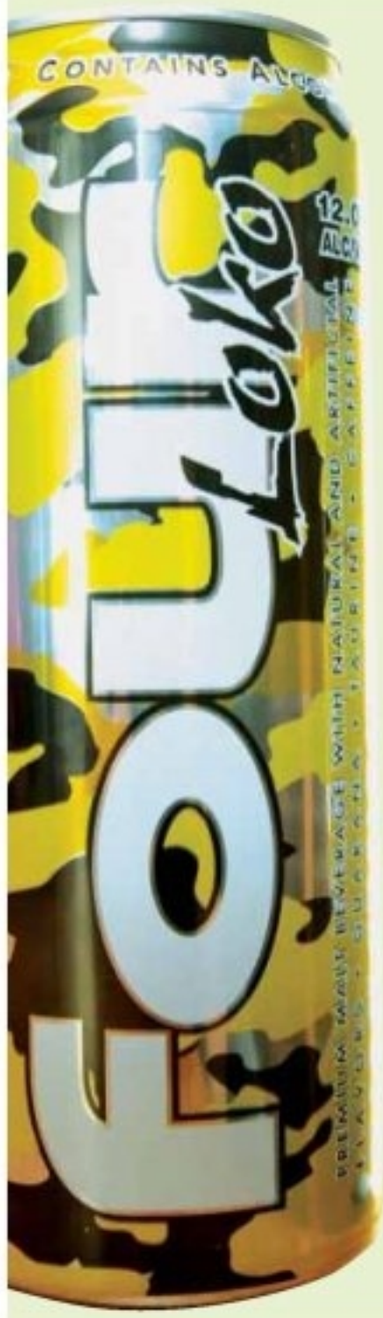
Other data yesterday offered more good news for the struggling U.S. recovery, with strong demand for new motor vehicles putting sales on an upward track and construction spending unexpectedly rebounding in August.

"That hardly sounds like an economy flat on its back," said economist Joel Naroff. **REUTERS**

Kodak: No bankruptcy

NEW YORK. Shares of Eastman Kodak as much as doubled yesterday after the ailing company denied it had any intention of filing for bankruptcy, but creditors continued to doubt its chances for survival.

Once synonymous with photography, Kodak has struggled with the move to digital cameras and failed to turn a profit since 2007. Speculation Kodak was on the verge of filing for bankruptcy flared last Friday and its shares fell more than half after reports that the company had hired law firm and restructuring specialist Jones Day. **REUTERS**



Alcopop potency settled

WASHINGTON. Supersized Four Loko drinks, beloved by college students as a "blackout in a can," have the same amount of alcohol as four to five beers. Packaging that compares them to one or two beers will be changed under a U.S. government settlement.

The Federal Trade Commission, which investigates complaints about deceptive advertising, said yesterday that Four Loko drinks, made by privately held Phusion Projects LLC, were highly alcoholic.

"Deception about alcohol content is dangerous to consumers," said David Vladeck, director of the agency's Bureau of Consumer Protection.

Phusion Projects agreed to begin selling Four Loko drinks in resealable containers by late spring. **REUTERS**

Christie still may go for it

WASHINGTON. Republican Chris Christie is to decide within days whether to launch a late run for president and appears to still be leaning against it, Republicans familiar with his deliberations said yesterday.

The New Jersey governor has been wrestling with whether to enter the race for the 2012 Republican presidential nomination.

Strong pressure from many donors and party activists concerned about the strength of the current field prompted Christie to reconsider previous vows not to run in 2012.

A complication for a run at this stage would be the challenge of organizing a national campaign with the first U.S. nominating contests, the Iowa caucuses and New Hampshire primary, about three months away. The deadline for filing a formal candidacy in the early states is rapidly approaching. **REUTERS**

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▶ Christie

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Metro's **Dorothy Robinson** shares her take on the world of gossip @dorothyatmetro dorothy.robinson@metro.us

Alexis Stewart gabs in new book

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▶ Mother, left, and daughter in 2010.

Martha Stewart is getting the "Mommie Dearest" treatment from daughter **Alexis Stewart** in a new memoir, "Whateverland: Learning to Live Here," which will be released later this month. "Martha does everything better! You can't win!" Alexis writes in the book, according to the Daily Mail. "If I didn't do something perfectly, I had to do it again. I grew up with a glue gun pointed at my head." Alexis also makes some startling revelations about the domestic diva's hygiene, revealing in the book that Martha "always peed with the door open." "I remember saying, 'You know, now I have friends over! You can't do that anymore! It's gotta stop! My friends' parents don't do it! Give me a break here! I don't feel like being embarrassed! It's exhausting! I'm a kid! Stop!'"

Oh my, it must have been so hard for you, Alexis. Can you imagine? What it must have been like growing up fabulously wealthy, never wanting for a single thing, but sometimes having to witness your mother (whose fortune you seem to happily feed off of, even at the age of 46) going to the bathroom with the door open?

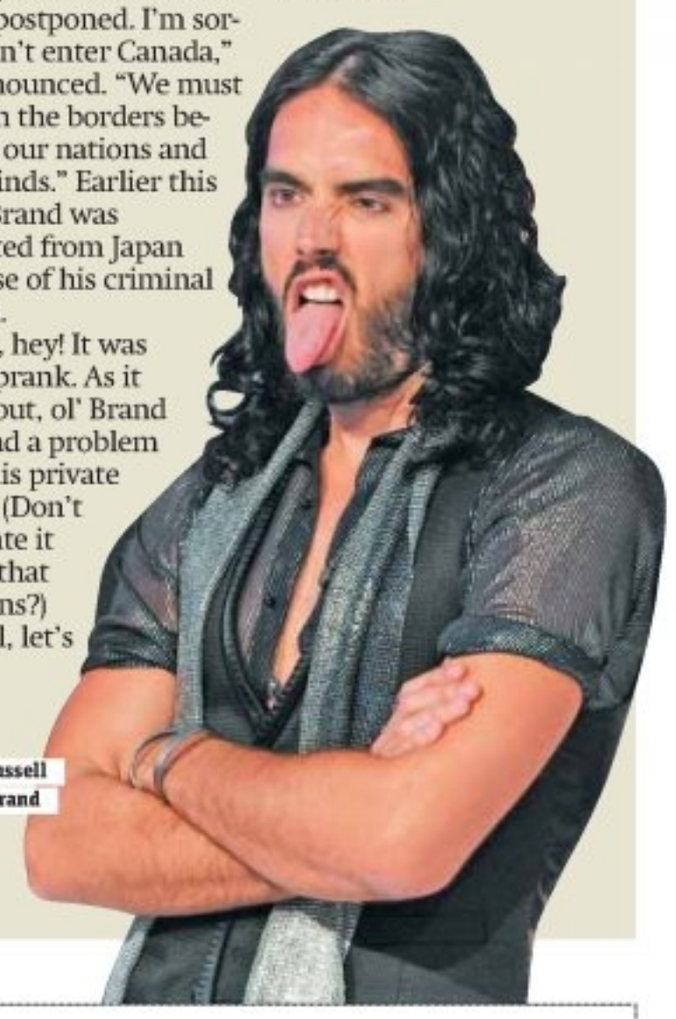
Really, you should get **Jaycee Lee Dugard** on the phone to compare notes on your awful childhoods.

Russell Brand needs to work on his jokes

British comedian **Russell Brand** had to cancel a sold-out show in Canada after customs officials wouldn't allow him entry into the country, he wrote on Twitter. "Tonight's Casino Rama show postponed. I'm sorry. I can't enter Canada," he announced. "We must abolish the borders between our nations and our minds." Earlier this year, Brand was deported from Japan because of his criminal record.

But, hey! It was just a prank. As it turns out, ol' Brand just had a problem with his private plane. (Don't you hate it when that happens?) "Ok all, let's be clear, @rustyrockets is still in Cali, he never left, he has no immigration or border issue, it was a tech issue with plane!" Casino Rama announced on its own Twitter account.

We're sure the thousands of Canadian fans left hanging found his humor (or is it just a straight-out lie?) hilarious.



Russell Brand

The feed ...

▶ **Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.**

Jessica Simpson is taking requests, Ron Howard is a proud father, Olivia Wilde is experiencing technical difficulties and Albert Brooks is full of opinions.

▶ **@JessicaSimpson**
What kind of music would y'all want from me on my next album? Thinking about going back to the studio

▶ **@RealRonHoward**
Bryce is directing up a storm Even preggers

▶ **@oliviawilde**
Auto-correct strikes again. My phone turns "fed" into "F'ed" which is awkward when telling my roommate I gave the dog his food.

▶ **@AlbertBrooks**
Watching Michael Jackson trial. I say O.J. is guilty.

Olivia Wilde

Talking points

Biel and Timberlake: Still hanging

Exes **Jessica Biel** and **Justin Timberlake** continue to enjoy spending time together, heading to Las Vegas for a charity golf event Timberlake was taking part in, according to People magazine. The pair, who split earlier this year, also made time for dinner with six other friends at Mastro's Ocean Club, where they were spotted "sitting close together" during dinner and leaving together.

Rogan got hitched

Seth Rogan celebrated the release of his new film, "50/50," by marrying his longtime girlfriend, writer **Lauren Miller**, at Kunde Estate in Sonoma, Calif., according to Us Weekly. "The wedding was more laughs than anything else," a source says of the three-day celebration. "Every other line was a joke and the crowd couldn't contain their laughter. It was nonstop fun!" That's not surprising, given that the guest list included **Judd Apatow** and his wife, **Leslie Mann**, as well as **Jonah Hill**, **Paul Rudd** and "The Office" star **Craig Robinson**.

▶ Rogan and Miller

Arquette moves on

A year after his split from estranged wife **Courteney Cox**, **David Arquette** has found someone new. The current "Dancing with the Stars" contestant is dating **Christina McLarty**, who was previously married to "Girls Gone Wild" impresario **Joe Francis**, according to People. "I'm not one to run around with different girls," Arquette told **Howard Stern**. "I like someone that makes me feel good and that I can make feel good."

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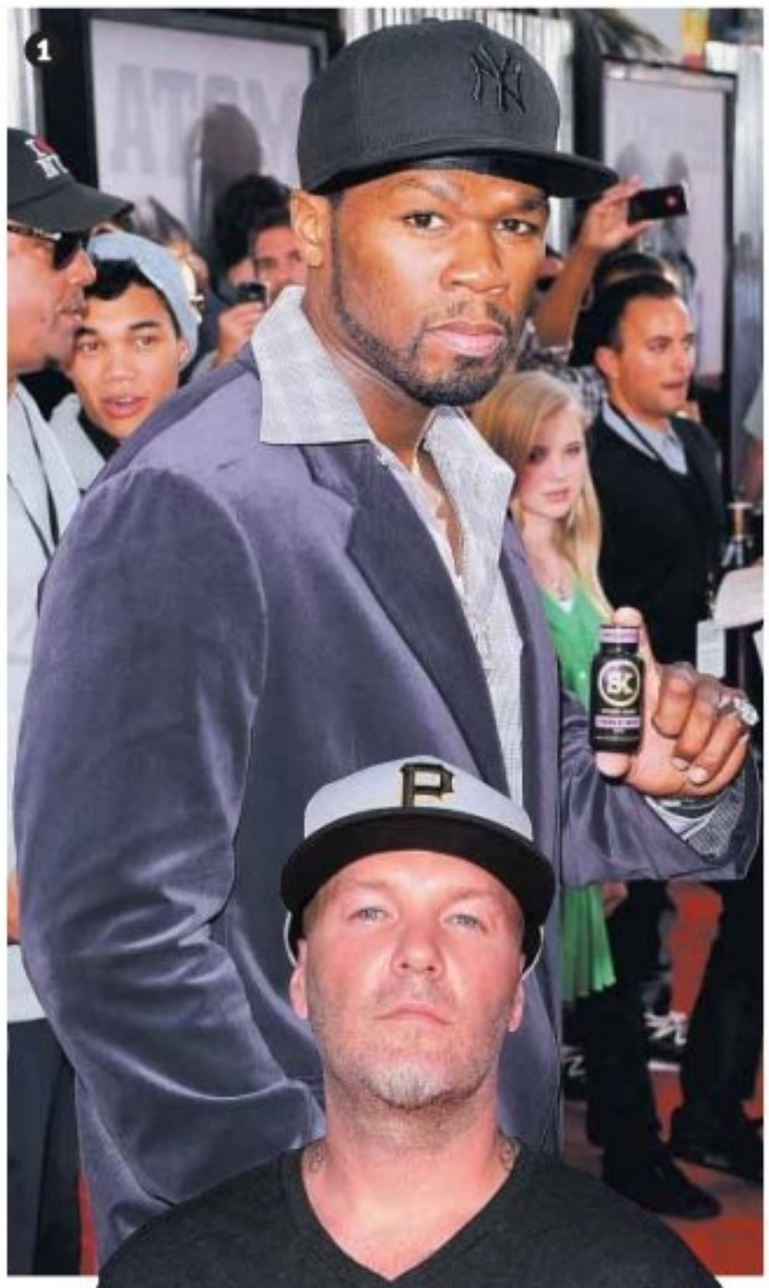

1. Curtis "50 Cent" Jackson attended the "Real Steel" Los Angeles Premiere at Gibson Amphitheatre on Sunday in Universal City, Calif.

2. Fred Durst couldn't force a smile at Tony Hawk's eighth annual Stand Up For Skateparks Benefit, held at Ron Burkle's Green Acres Estate on Sunday in Beverly Hills.

3. Dita Von Teese attended the Alexis Mabille Spring/Summer 2012 show during Paris Fashion Week at Les Serres d'Auteuil on Sunday in Paris.

4. Kanye West at the Celine Ready to Wear Spring/Summer 2012 show during Paris Fashion Week on Sunday in Paris.

5. Rowan Atkinson attended the U.K. premiere of "Johnny English Reborn" at The Empire Leicester Square on Sunday in London.

6. Jared Leto at the Givenchy Aftershow Party at L'Arc on Sunday in Paris.

7. Emma Stone attended "The Help" (that's "Criadas y Senoras" in Spanish) photo call at Hesperia Hotel in Madrid, Spain, yesterday.

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Love, loss and Lolabelle

Laurie Anderson's new exhibition at the Fabric Workshop and Museum was inspired by the passing of her dog How she relates the work to music

There's a flashlight waiting just outside the elevator doors for visitors to the Fabric Workshop and Museum's seventh-floor gallery. The torch is necessary to navigate the almost pitch-black room, but also adds to the feeling of discovery one makes when walking into Laurie Anderson's "Iron Mountain." Throughout the space are tiny video projections cast onto tiny clay figurines, making for an unnerving sense of realism.

"I'm happy to say that it's virtually impossible to photograph this piece," Anderson writes in her notes on the exhibition. "For me, it's proof that certain art just has to be experienced with the body."

If you go

Laurie Anderson: "Forty-Nine Days in the Bardo"
Through Nov. 19
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Anderson, who will perform at the museum on Oct. 13, has blended genres and disciplines in a distinctly idiosyncratic way since emerging from New York's downtown scene in the late '70s and achieving a measure of popular success with her song "O Superman."

One floor above "Iron Mountain," Anderson's newest work, "Forty-Nine Days in the Bardo," combines the epic with the intimate. Inspired by her dog Lolabelle's death on Palm Sunday, 10 enormous charcoal drawings trace the pet's path through the bardo, the period between life and death described by the Tibetan Book of the Dead.

The piece, she says, "is not just about love but also loss, like music, which is often about regret."

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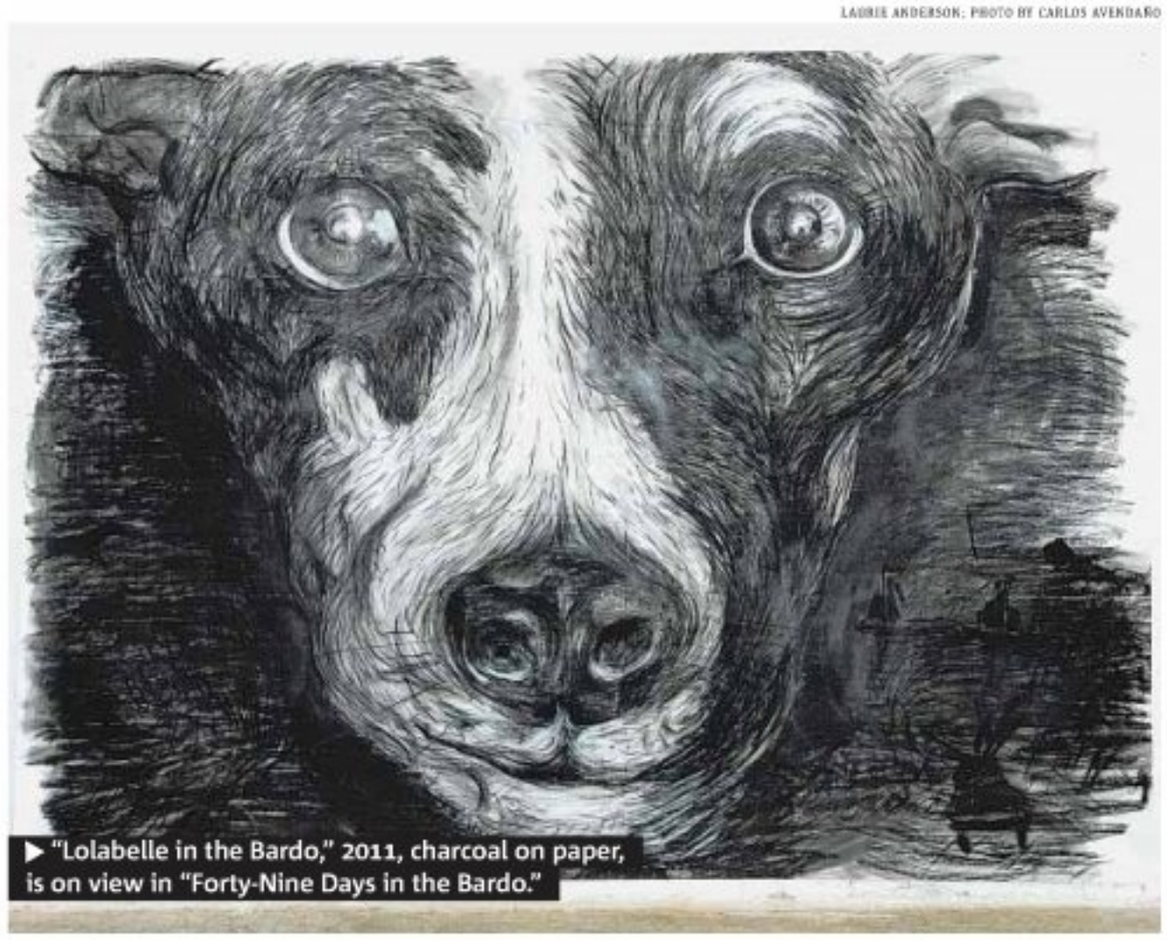

"Lolabelle in the Bardo," 2011, charcoal on paper, is on view in "Forty-Nine Days in the Bardo."

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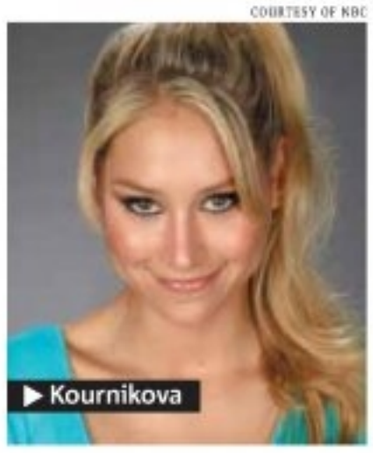

▶ Kournikova

Kournikova weighs in on 'Biggest Loser'

- Tennis pro takes over for Jillian Michaels this season
- 'I'm not trying to prove myself by any means,' she says

How do you make the 12th season of a reality show feel fresh? By bringing in new judges. Season 12 of "The Biggest Loser" (Tuesday, 8 p.m., NBC) is in action, and stepping in where Jillian Michaels left her sneakers are tennis superstar Anna Kournikova and personal trainer Dolvett Quince. For Kournikova, the chance to coach instead of be coached was one she didn't want to miss out on.

"I was the one that went after this opportunity," the former No. 8 player in the world says. "I've used my body as a tool my whole life on a tennis court. Instead of listening to all the information, [I'm now] voicing it to the contestants."

The tough-girl training style of Michaels was a hit with viewers, but Kournikova says she "didn't feel any pressure" stepping in. "I didn't feel like I was replacing anyone," she adds. "I'm not trying to prove myself by any means. I'm just there to do my part of the job."

For those wary of Kournikova — a buxom blonde who hasn't found much recent success on the court — taking the reins, she's eager to set the record straight: "Listen, I get criticized and judged all the time," she says. "That's how I tell the contestants I can relate to them. The only thing I can control is I can work hard [and] be the best human I can."

This season, contestants are facing off in a "Battle of the Ages," with Kournikova coaching the over-50 crowd. She's hoping they remember her advice once the cameras stop rolling.

"I made sure they get the tools and the education to take home," she says, "because sooner or later everybody is going home."

Quoted

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TV watch list

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▶ "Family Jewels" returns, picking up right after last season's proposal cliffhanger.

'Gene Simmons Family Jewels'

REALITY. Well, we know she said yes — after 28 years together, KISS frontman Gene Simmons and actress/model girlfriend Shannon Tweed finally tied the knot over the weekend. Still, this season picks up after last season's cliffhanger proposal finale (will she or won't she?!), with episodes full of rock 'n' roll wedding planning to come. **Season premiere, 9 p.m., A&E**

'Mad Fashion'

REALITY. One of "Project Runway"'s most memorable contestants — the likeable, flamboyant Chris March — brings his over-the-top eye for design to clients searching for costumes and couture. **Series premiere, 10 p.m., Bravo**

'NCIS'

DRAMA. McGee pays a visit to his grandma (guest star Lily Tomlin). Too bad the house call involves the investigation of a dead Navy lieutenant. **8 p.m., CBS**

'Glee'

COMEDY. And in other wacky relative appearances, Ralph Malph (aka "Happy Days" star Donny Most) plays Emma's dad. **8 p.m., Fox** AMBER RAY

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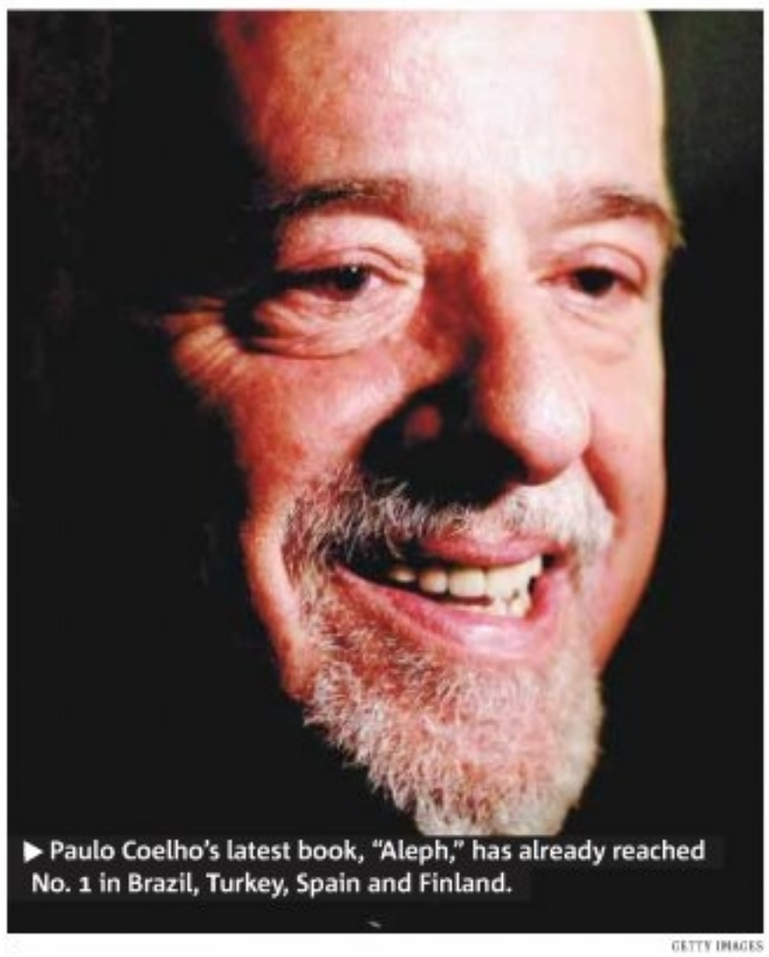

▶ Paulo Coelho's latest book, "Aleph," has already reached No. 1 in Brazil, Turkey, Spain and Finland.

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The latest book from the immensely successful author finds him on a journey into his psyche What his wife thought about his bond with

Paulo Coelho needs no introduction: The Brazilian author has sold more than 100 million books worldwide and holds the world record for most translated books by a living author. His latest novel, "Aleph," is an autobiographical account of his journey on the Trans-Siberian Railway — and across time and space — in search of spiritual fulfillment [the title refers to an enlightening experience he encountered during his trek]. Coelho recently spoke with us from Geneva, Switzerland.

I read it took you four years to gather the material for this book, but only three weeks to write it. Can you talk about putting it together?

I decided to travel for three months, nonstop, and I had this experience, this "Aleph." I lived through, well, things that are very difficult to explain in a book. One year ago I said to myself, "I'm never going to write about this, it is impossible to explain." My agent said, "You're never going to write about this?" I said it is impossible. When I returned, I don't know what happened, but I sat down and I start writing. When she called me two and a half weeks later, I said, "You know this book I said I'm never going to write? I'm almost in the end of it."

You develop a special relationship with a woman in this book. What was your wife's reaction to that?

So positive, oh my God. We are very honest with each other. She wants the best for me, so why should she be uncomfortable or unhappy if she knows that I put my soul in my book?

You had a whole other life as a lyricist before becoming a novelist. How did you decide to take that leap of faith and change careers?

Well, I always knew that my dream was to be a writer — that's why I was put three times in a mental institution by my parents when I was young. Then I was writing lyrics for songs, and that you can make a lot of money off of. So when I was 30 years old I was successful, but I was not happy. And so I took this pilgrimage from France to Spain on this old ancient road called El

Q&A

Were you nervous about sharing so many intimate details about your life?

I was not nervous but I was a little bit uncomfortable. I felt, "Oh my God, well, I should cut here, I should cut there." Then I said, "This is so useless. You put your soul into it or you don't. You cannot tell the half-truth. Half-truth is not the whole truth. Just say whatever you have to say, and trust your readers."

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Camino de Santiago. Then, at the end of El Camino, I said, "OK, I have one more chance in my life: Either I renounce forever the idea of becoming a writer, or I stop doing everything that I'm doing now and I write." Thanks to God and with the support of my wife, I quit everything I was doing. I wrote my first book when I was 40 years old. I think we all have a kind of mid-life crisis, when you look at yourself in the mirror and say, "Am I betraying myself?" My midlife crisis brought me this epiphany to be faithful to my bliss.

You've released books online and you're the second-most influential Twitter user in the world, only behind Justin Bieber. Did you know the Internet was going to play a large role in your career?

I did not know. In 2006 I started writing a blog, and then I started getting feedback from readers, which I never thought I would have. I need the reader not as a reader only but as a person who understands my soul. Things that I post and tweet or Facebook or [write] in my blog, I cannot write a book about. I adapt to new platforms as a challenge. One has to be challenged by life. I may be old in age but not in curiosity, so it's so good to have this challenge. It gives me a lot of joy.

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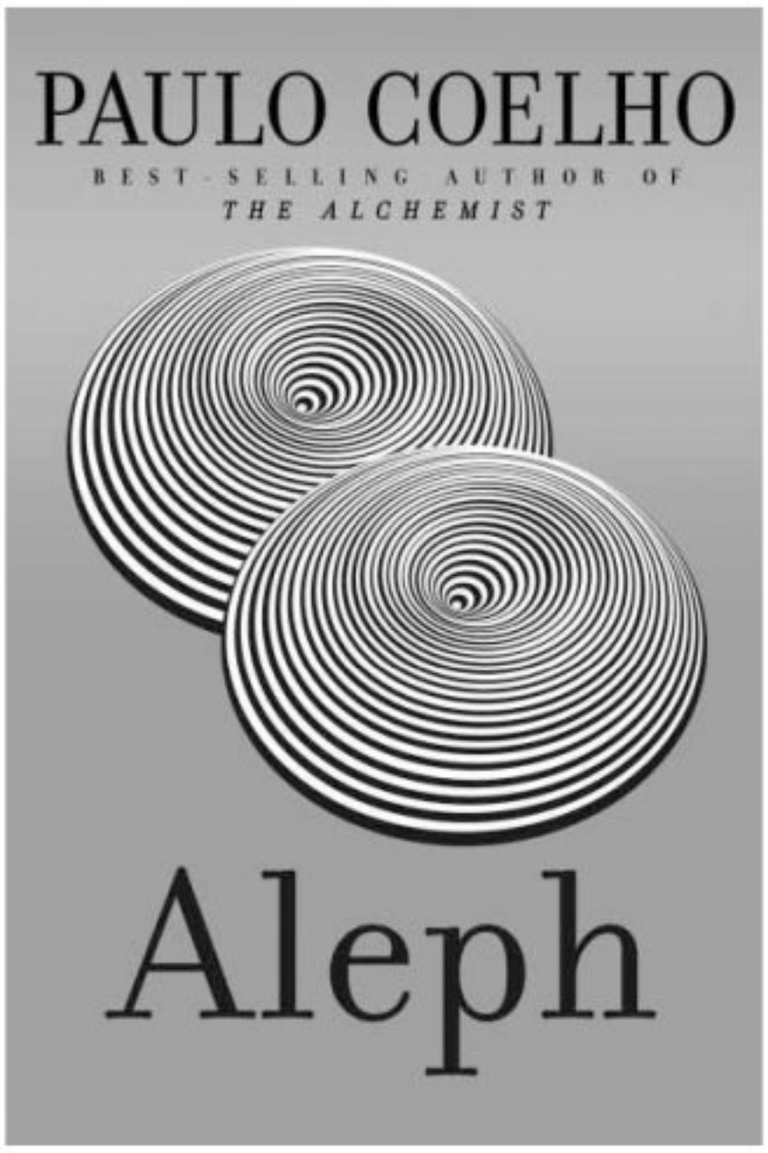

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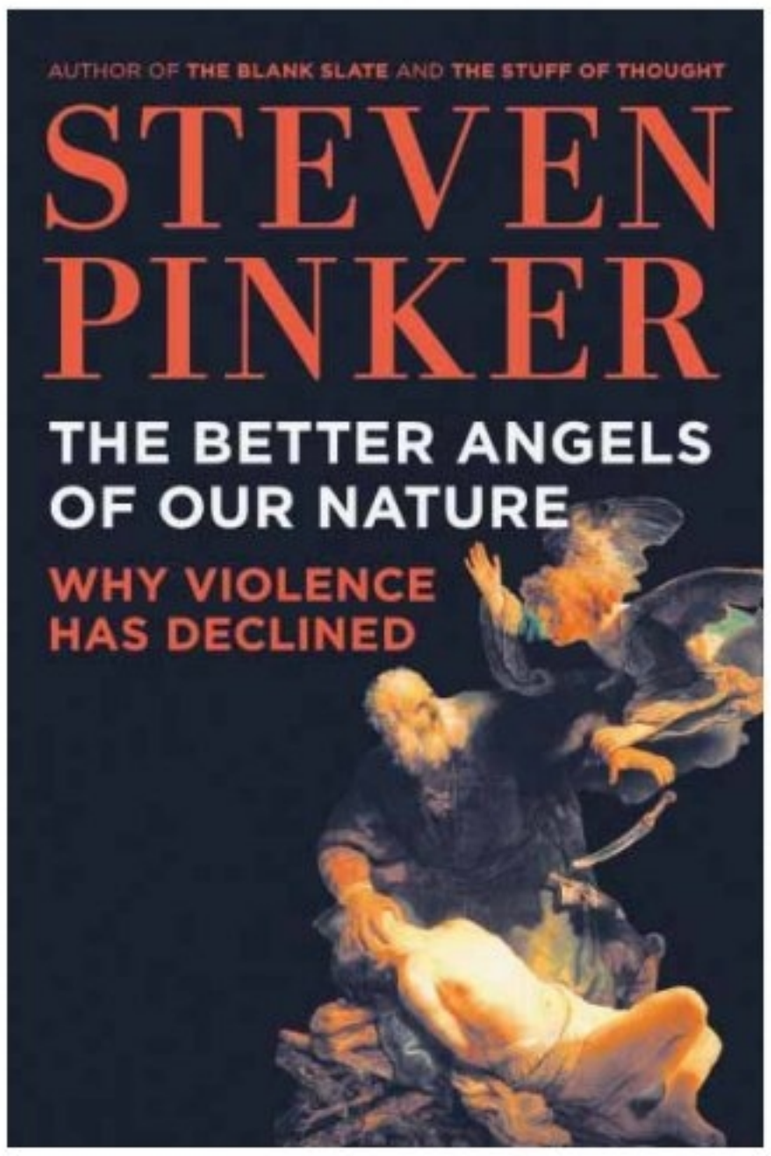
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WHY VIOLENCE HAS DECLINED

Actually, we've got it pretty good

For all of our complaining about the state of the world, psychologist and author Steven Pinker notes we're doing great The reason for his sunny outlook? We're probably not going to die a violent death

Despite the fatalistic cries of politicians, preachers and news anchors, we may actually be living in the least-violent period of human civilization. Experimental psychologist/author Steven Pinker traces the decline of violence in his weighty new book, "The Better Angels of Our Nature," though he admits that his findings seem a bit counterintuitive.

"There's a quirk of the human mind that we estimate how dangerous something is by how easily we can think of examples," Pinker says. "Well, it's easy to think of examples of things blowing up and massacres and serial killers and senseless violence. It's not so easy to conjure up images of all those people who died peacefully in bed."

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Still, more of us are doing just that than our ancestors did. With hard numbers and a quick wit, Pinker recounts just how risky daily life was in the "good old days," from a recap of unpleasantness throughout the Bible to the nastiness underlying the supposedly courtly era of knights and damsels in distress (usually, it turns out, from other knights).

Pinker hesitates to predict whether the trend will continue, and says he's written not a book of optimism but gratitude.

"Most of us are extremely lucky to be living in the current era, where any one of us has a very small chance of dying violently. That wasn't always true of human history. But I don't think we're going to go back to burning heretics at the stake any time soon."

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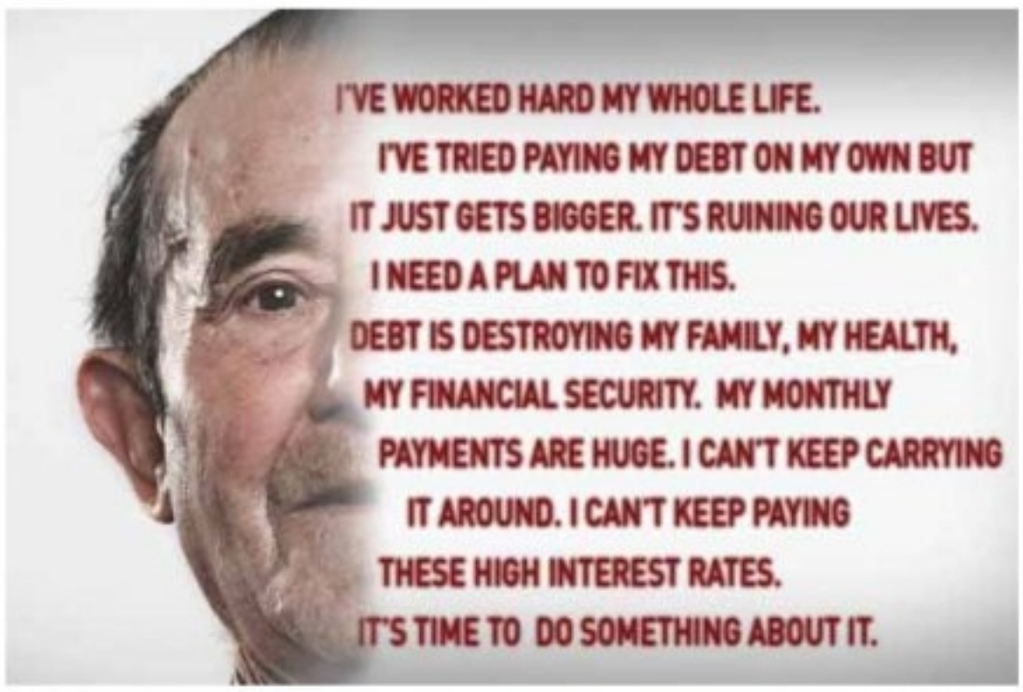
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Paris Fashion Week: Best and worst of the weekend

Most unrealistic expectations

Kanye West's debut
On the one hand, West's Paris Fashion Week debut lived up to the hype. His runway show was a painfully exclusive affair with a guest list that read like one giant front row: Anna Wintour, Mary-Kate and Ashley Olsen, Alexander Wang, Silvia Fendi, Lindsay Lohan — the list goes on. West's fashion credibility was loud and clear, but the quality of the clothes on the runway was inconsistent. The collection felt like summer one moment — sexy white dresses with skin-baring cut-outs — and winter the next — heavy, fur-embellished jackets. His slouchy trousers seemed to hang on the models in unfortunate ways, but an opening leather jacket and skirt looked sleek and edgy. Bottom line: Just because a person spends time with very important fashion people doesn't necessarily mean that he can design a cohesive collection.

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Least surprising moment

Isabel Marant's sporty separates
Marant, in part, helped spark the season's obsession with all things athletic. (Remember her hugely popular varsity jackets from last year?) This collection featured more of her effortlessly cool French girl fare, complete with cotton jerseys, batik skinny jeans and patchworked tees and dresses. But it would be nice to see her evolve out of this look, which has been a huge retail hit but can sometimes seem repetitive. The show's strongest moments came with the pieces that seemed completely fresh and new for her, like the opening chunky, multi-colored knits and a series of sheer, delicate lace dresses and tops.

Sexiest collection

Stella McCartney's leg-loving looks
For spring, Stella McCartney continued the seductive streak she started for fall, only she replaced last season's body-con, sheer dresses with crisp, A-line dresses and coat dresses that revealed miles of leg. They were sporty with a flourish; each look came with contrasting colored swirls that surfed their way along the hemline and up the torso. The visual detail was also used to update her trousers suits, which have by now become a staple in every collection.

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Most unpredicted upgrade

Lanvin's loungewear
Alber Elbaz is probably the last person one would expect to reinterpret a track suit. But his slinky version for evening, which featured digital graphics of a serpent coiling its way up the legs and torso, was the height of cool. Meanwhile, loyalists will love this season's version of his trademark shift dress, which had bejeweled, three-dimensional snakes winding around the shoulders and neck.

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Mixed bag on OWS protesters

RE: "NO SOCIAL NET FOR PROTESTERS": I'm struggling to understand Mr. Minkin's point. Is he arguing that civic engagement and protest should be punished, or is he suggesting that only certain types of people should be allowed to protest? Those are the only interpretations of his letter I can conceive.
JOSEPH CONNELL, VIA E-MAIL

As usual, those who are gainfully employed or in retirement living the illusion of security make such statements like yours. Reality is, you could get all the training or have all the experience in the world, it's the "unemployed" part that puts you in the same trash can as a felon or misdemeanor possession charge. While Wall Street gets their breaks, Main Street gets moldy crumbs.
CHERIE KING, VIA E-MAIL

Occupy Wall Street protesters need to be told that in order for the youth of today find work, instead of sitting in a park being unhappy, they need to learn a new language and emigrate to any of the countries where the previously American work went to. Corporate America is never going to bring any work back to the U.S.
JOAN DANIEL, VIA E-MAIL

That young people with a good education and no job cannot find anything better to do with their time but to sit down and Occupy Wall Street is the very proof that education doesn't work. So, the hell with all of this leftist talk. Let the "job creators" create whatever it is that they create and everyone else can just take a short walk off the Brooklyn Bridge.
SUZY SANDOR, VIA E-MAIL

With a name like "Garold," I immediately suspected your parents were closely related; then your words removed all doubt. I hope you get fired and find yourself in the same circumstances that most of America and the Occupy Wall Streeters find themselves in today.
J.D. DUCAS, VIA E-MAIL

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Real men wary of pink

RE: "NOT YOUR MOM'S BREAST CANCER": Disgusting presentation. The fact is that the great big hoopla about women's susceptibility to breast cancer has resulted in the medical establishment considering it a disease to be born female. Very often cysts would not become cancerous if left alone. The pink campaign may be well-intended, but it's not based on science.
LUCY MARTINEZ, VIA E-MAIL

Horoscope

♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** There is a strong possibility that both you and your associates will have low flash points. You can't do anything about any grumbling but your own.
♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** Nothing can be resolved if you don't bring issues out into the open, where friends and family alike can help. The worst time to restrict their input is when you need assistance.
♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** Take the edge off the pressure by paying down at least a small portion of an outstanding financial obligation. Letting it fester will lead to infection.
♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** Use your feistiness and be assertive by pushing for everyone's interests instead of your own. That way others will be in your corner, helping you.
♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** This might not be one of those lucky days when you'll be able to get others to help you. But others might be fortunate in getting you to help bear their heavy burdens.
♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** Be diplomatic if you encounter someone who used to be a friend but with whom you've had a falling out. If you wish to keep your good standing with the rest of your pals, you need to play it cool.
♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** It behooves you not to be demanding or abrasive when handling a complicated matter. If you act like a real wisenheimer, you'll be left alone to fend for yourself.
♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** Don't let a heated discussion develop by trying to force your opinions onto someone who has told you that he or she isn't buying what you're selling.
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♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** Use your common sense when it comes to working with unfamiliar tools or materials. Be sensible about taking safety precautions.
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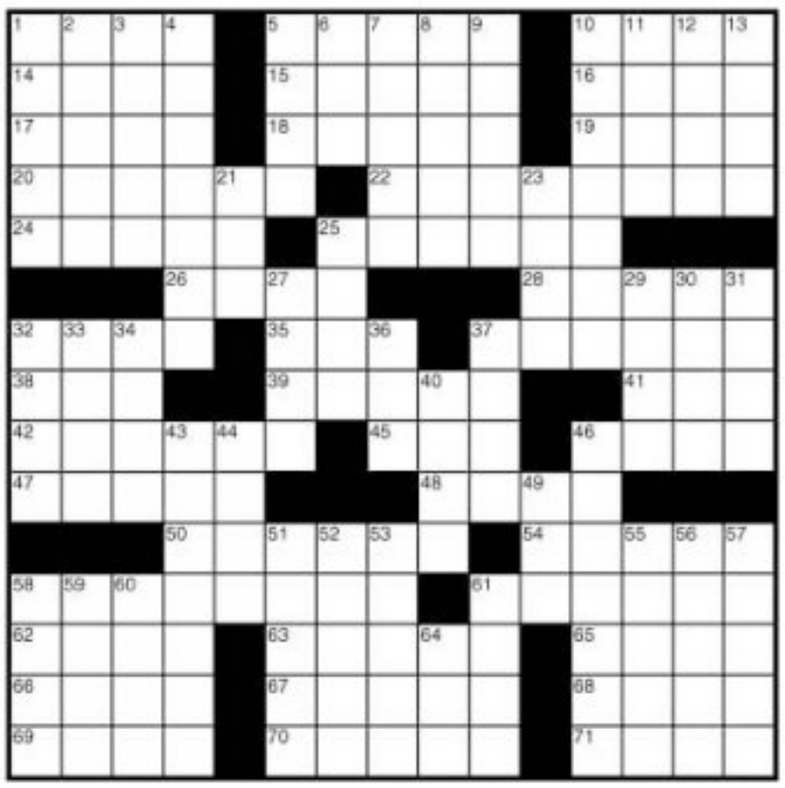

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Opinion

ANGELO CATALDI
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EAGLES BRASS NEEDS TO CUT REID'S CORD

After 13 years of arrogance and pomposity, Andy Reid is getting what he deserves. His Dream Team is a nightmare, and his coaching is a national embarrassment. Tick, tick goes the clock as it runs out on his overrated career.

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The 24-23 loss to San Francisco was much more than a bad afternoon at Lincoln Financial Field. It was a harsh indictment of an offseason riddled with terrible decisions. Reid's new defensive coordinator, Juan Castillo, is a disaster. The kid kicker is unreliable. The recent draft record is catastrophic.

How far have the Eagles sunk? So far that they gave up 442 yards to the worst offense in the NFL, 289 in the second half. Study those numbers very carefully. They tell the whole story of this dreadful team. In the decade when Jim Johnson ran the defense, the Birds never lost three straight fourth-quarter leads. In fact, his defenses gave up more than 442 yards only five times.

The sheer audacity of rejecting all of the experienced candidates for defensive coordinator and choosing Castillo as the new guru may be — and should be — the fatal blow to Reid's career here. While his unit was collapsing for a third straight week, Castillo was flailing his arms and jumping up and down like a cheerleader. He has no idea what he is doing. Absolutely no idea.

Reid's humiliation didn't stop there. The Eagles still would have won the game if not for the meltdown by Alex Henery, who missed from 39 and 33 yards in the fourth quarter. David Akers was standing on the opposite sideline, probably wondering what we all were: How could they dump their best kicker for a novice?

Reid has never explained that decision because he doesn't care what you or I think. Heck, even after that brutal loss, he set aside a moment at his postgame news conference to chastise a member of the media who had the gall to ask if any changes were planned. Once a bully, always a bully.

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"Juan Castillo has no idea what he is doing. Absolutely no idea."

The best thing that came out of the disaster Sunday is that the focus can finally move away from Reid and onto the people above him, owner Jeff Lurie and president Joe Banner, both of whom signed off on the biggest spending spree in their 17 years running the Eagles.

Reid said that he had done an "absolutely terrible job," a rare moment of honesty that was unanimously endorsed by a city that has seen enough and heard enough of him.

The bad news Sunday was that the Eagles suffered a loss that could destroy their season. The good news was that no one can ignore any longer the hideous performance of Reid — not even Lurie and Banner.

*– **Angelo Cataldi** is the host of 610 WIP's Morning Show, which airs weekdays 5:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.*

Phillies fans 'way too quiet' right now

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▶ Rollins

The atmosphere at the Phillies' playoff game Sunday at Citizens Bank Park was different from that of any recent postseason game. It was so subdued toward the end, even shortstop Jimmy Rollins later Tweeted that the crowd was "waaaay too quiet."

Is success spoiling Phillies fans? Have five straight division titles — and five straight playoff appearances — made the annual autumn drama less suspenseful? Are the Phillies too good?

It's too early to answer those questions, but there are worrisome signs. The worst was the ovation for Cliff Lee after he was knocked out of the game, having squandered a four-run lead. Since when do Philadelphia fans reward failure? The man is making $25 million a year, and he gets cheered for blowing a big playoff game?

Also bizarre was the lack of venom directed at home-plate umpire Jerry Meals, who butchered the strike zone all night. If the umpires aren't stirring our passions, who is? No city has ever been less forgiving of the men in blue than ours.

The strangest twist on a horrific Sunday happened across the street, at the Linc, where fans began a chant of "Let's Go Phillies!" in the final seconds of a third straight Eagles loss. Fans who attended both said that chant was louder than any heard at Citizens Bank Park after the second inning.

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▶ Pence is thriving, thanks to a smart organization.

Tale of two fates in South Philly

Hunter Pence and Nnamdi Asomugha landed in Philadelphia at almost the exact same time, joining the Phillies and Eagles, respectively, to provide the missing pieces to two championship puzzles.

Since then, however, their differing fates offer a fascinating insight into how their teams conduct business these days.

Pence has provided a shot of adrenaline on a Phils roster that needed it — a wide-eyed bundle of awkward energy who has made winning seem special again. Pence is a perfect fit, in temperament and style, on an extraordinary team. He's batting third now, and quickly making people forget Jayson Werth.

Meanwhile, Asomugha is trying to adjust to an Eagles defense that has no idea how to use him. A lockdown corner in Oakland, Asomugha is playing in a zone most of the time now — with predictably mixed results.

Why would the Eagles pay one of the top three cover men $60 million and then change his role? Good question. Just don't hold your breath waiting for an honest answer.

Pence and Asomugha are living proof that it takes more than talent to succeed in the sports world. It also takes a team that knows how to use that talent. The Phillies do. The Eagles don't.

Idle thoughts from Cataldi ...

1 Go with the ace. If the Phillies lose tonight in St. Louis, they should start Roy Halladay on short rest in Game 4, but they won't. Manager Charlie Manuel will stick with Roy Oswalt, and we will all regret that decision. Look at it this way: Do you want this season to end with the best pitcher in baseball on the bench?

2 Even bad managers get rings. The biggest shock should not be that Terry Francona parted ways with the Red Sox, but that he lasted eight years there. In the end, he said the Boston fans cared too much, created too much pressure. Francona is a living example that even a bad manager can win championships.

3 Par for the course. Jose Reyes, the poster boy for selfishness in sports, outdid himself last week when he demanded removal from the last game of the season to secure his National League batting title. It's a shame he's going to be leaving the N.Y. Mets as a free agent. They deserve each other.

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All on King Cole to 'pick up' Phillies

Hamels gets start in pivotal Game 3 in St. Louis ◗ Teammates expect ace left-hander to take control ◗ Ibanez, offense look to score more runs

Despite losing 5-4 Sunday, there was a quiet confidence emanating from Raul Ibanez. Even after the Cards overcame a four-run deficit with Cliff Lee on the mound to even the NLDS.

Ibanez noted that the Phillies were not on the brink of elimination.

"It's a brand new series," Ibanez said. "It's a best-of-three series. We're fine with that. We've been in this situation before and we're comfortable with it. We have to go to St. Louis and we have a pretty good pitcher who will be on the mound for us and we have no problem on the road."

The Phillies won a staggering 50 games away from South Philadelphia, nearly half of their 102 victories. They also have another ace, Cole Hamels, who will toe the rubber.

The Phillies need a huge game from Hamels, who would love to be known as a big-game pitcher once again, after dominating the 2008 playoffs. However, Hamels lost his only start against the Cardinals a few weeks ago. He gave up four runs in seven innings in a 5-0 shutout.

But it's difficult to read too much into that game since the Phillies were figuratively hungover from winning their fifth straight NL East crown.

Will Hamels pick the Phillies up in the most critical game of the season?

"I think Cole will be fine," Lee said. "He's the kind of pitcher who can go out there and take control of the game. I have total confidence in him picking us up." ED CONDRAN

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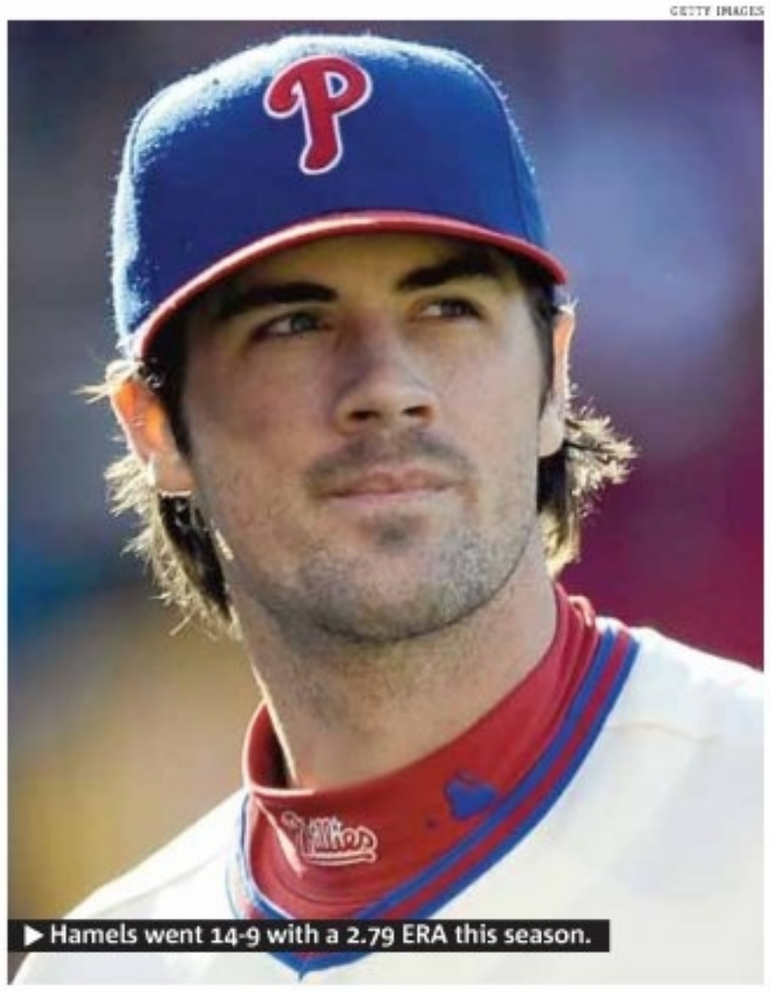

▶ Hamels went 14-9 with a 2.79 ERA this season.

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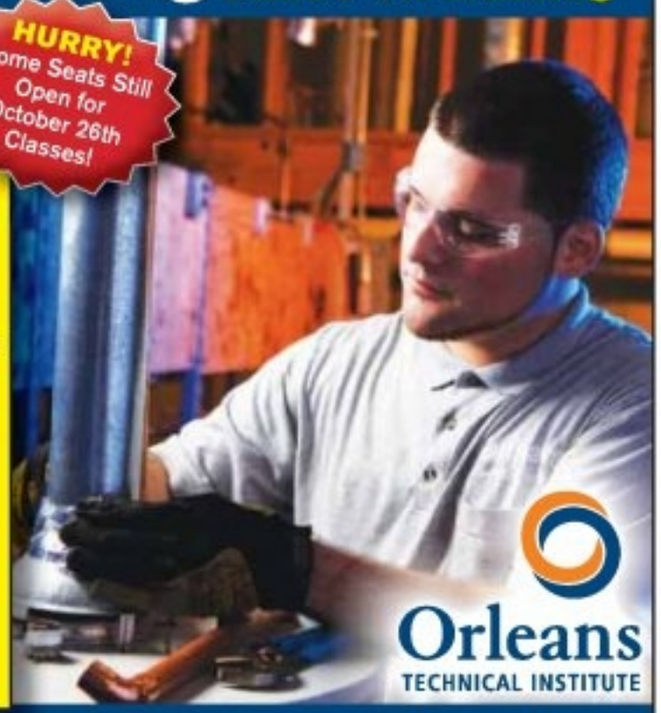

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Add injuries to insult

Cole, Peters out with 'fairly significant' injuries ◗ Dixon lost for season ◗ Re-sign Landri ◗ Reid calls out reporters, promises to turn it around

As if the Eagles didn't have enough problems.

Now, they have some significant holes to fill.

The team's top pass-rusher, Trent Cole, is out with a calf strain and likely out for at least three weeks; its best offensive lineman, left tackle Jason Peters, has a hamstring strain and will miss Sunday's game; and one of their best run-stuffers, Antonio Dixon, is out for the season with a torn triceps.

"I expect other guys to step up and play," coach Andy Reid said yesterday.

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▶ Cole is out three weeks.

"When somebody goes down, the next guy steps in and let's go."

Reid indicated that King Dunlap will start at left tackle, but Cole's replacement wasn't announced. The team was reportedly set to add free agent defensive tackle Derek Landri to fill Dixon's roster spot.

Despite all the recent struggles — and injuries — Reid said there would be no changes to his coaching staff. However, he kept a tight lip about any future personnel changes.

Reid also called out a reporter who questioned his play-calling, specifically Ronnie Brown's run/pass option at the goal line.

"If you're not watching practice, it does come out of nowhere," said Reid, adding that the team practiced that play quite a bit.

The coach ended his press conference by saying he understands the fans' frustration right now.

"After watching the last three games I would understand that, but we're going to keep working hard and getting better," Reid said.

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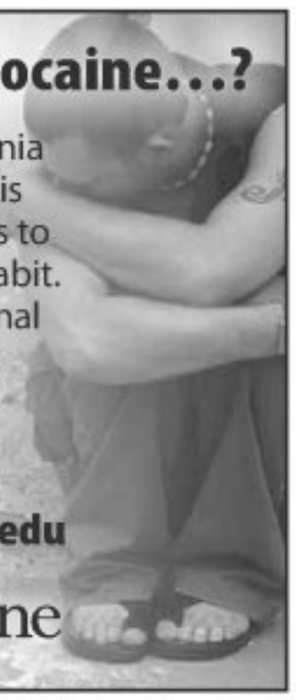

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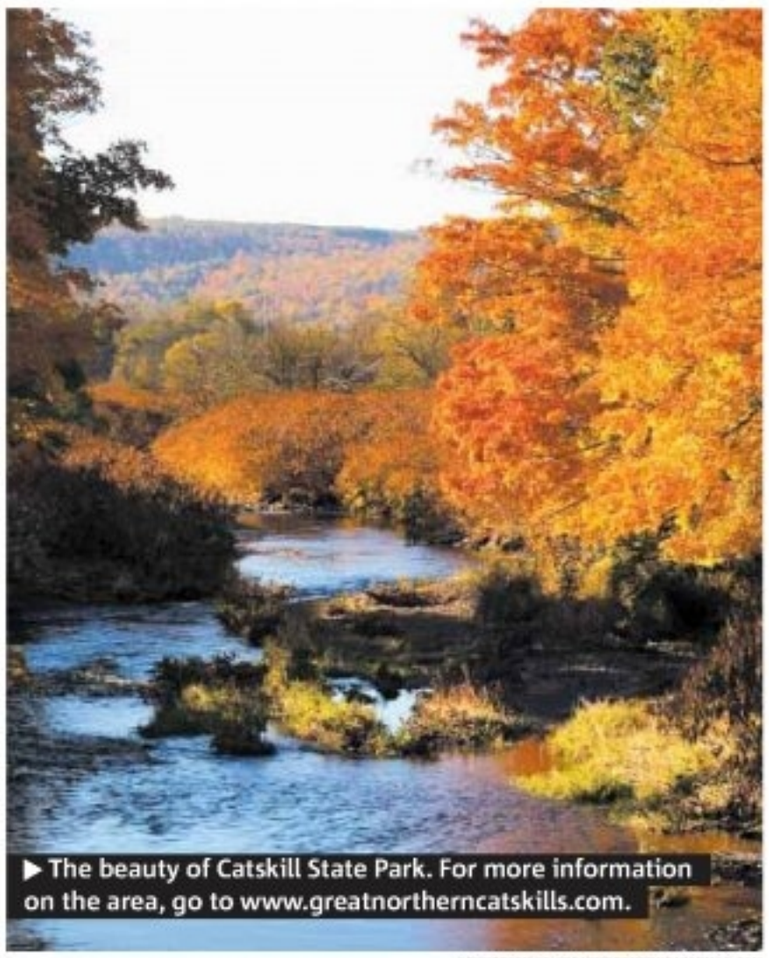
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But with a little cleanup, the area is ready for visitors

New York's Greene County — a popular getaway for many an East Coaster — was hit hard by Hurricane Irene. But now the region is getting the word out that roadways and bridges are open and safe for travel.

"The first two weeks after Irene, there were a lot of phone calls and a lot of questions about cancellation policies," says Chuck Tomajko, proprietor of the Fairlawn Inn, located in Hunter. "But now the area is mostly open for business. It just depends on where you want to go." Tomajko recommends calling ahead to check, but he notes that most area attractions — like hiking, restaurants and antique shopping — are ready for visitors.

Where to ...

Visit: Right now, the region is resplendent in spectacular fall foliage. Greene County is home to five of the ten highest Catskill peaks and Catskill State Park. There are hikes for every activity level, but we especially recommend hiking the Kaaterskill Falls Trail, a popular day hike which takes you past the highest falls in New York. The recently opened Hunter Mountain Zipline tour has been very popular with families and is a great — and adventurous — way to see the beauty of the Northern Catskills.

Stay: There are many quaint inns or bed and breakfasts in the area, many of which don't require a two-night stay, meaning it's great for a super quick getaway. But we especially recommend Fairlawn Inn, with its comfortable, handsome rooms and a delicious, local breakfast in the morning. It was recently given a three-leaf eco-rating in from Audubon International and I Love NY.

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Give yourself peace of mind
Organized activities entertain teens while allowing parents to keep track of them. Many resorts now offer teen clubs, exclusive spots open only to certain ages. Such clubs are often equipped with soft drinks, game rooms, karaoke and dance floors.

Set a budget
Motorized sports are the mama of all extras. Teenagers will zero in on them the moment they arrive. Jet Skiing and parasailing can cost upward of $60 an hour. Little things like soft drinks and virgin cocktails — $1 to $5 each — not to mention arcade games, can add up in a hurry, especially since they're often bought with resort charge cards that don't seem like actual money. Use prepaid cards when possible.

Bring a friend
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